



**1128th meeting of the
Pacific Coast Numismatic Society
7:30PM Wednesday April 28, 2010
Building C, Fort Mason
San Francisco, California**

**U.S. Colonial Philippines Coinage and
the "M" Mint 1898 – 1946**

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Please join us Wednesday April 28 at 7:30 to hear Dan Hipple tell us about the US colonial coinage in the Phillipines.

1127th meeting March 24, 2010 Tokens and Medals of the PCNS Herb Miles

Herb presented a PowerPoint presentation on Tokens and Medals of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society. It is surprising the number and variety of issues that the Society has produced since 1915.

Herb used research by David Lange and Michael Wehner and the articles they produced to tell the story of our issues. For those interested in starting a collection or completing a budding collection, the PCNS Journal and Papers are the two sources needed as various issues picture and describe the tokens, medals, and Wooden Nickels issued by the Society and its members. As catalogued by David and Michael, there are a minimum of 62 pieces to collect, invariably there will be future discoveries of off metal or unknown issues.

Issues range from bronze or copper pieces honoring Farran Zerbe for visiting PCNS after a number of years to silver pieces honoring various anniversaries of the Society, 50th, 75th, 1000th meeting, and the like. It is quite interesting and really not very expensive to collect a majority of the pieces. Nevertheless, there are some pricey ones, the Gold Farran Zerbe medal struck for the 1000th meeting, the octagonal silver piece honoring the Society's Silver Jubilee in 1940, and a few others.

But, woods, and certain brass or bronze pieces can be purchased for under \$20, and sometimes as little as \$5.

Editor's note: The complete catalog can be had in electronic form just for asking. Contact mf_wehner@yahoo.com

March 2010 Exhibits

Does Ed have more lighthouses to show us, you betcha! They were from Maine, a non-winning pattern Cuban 1902-1952 commemorative 20 centavos, a 1904 Argentina medal commemorating three river channel light, a car wash token from Long Beach, NJ with the Barnegat Lighthouse, a 100th

anniversary commemoration of a lighthouse protecting Lakes Huron and Ontario, a 1970 Portuguese piece.

Bill brought two very interesting tokens, one a 1909 Farran Zerbe satirical piece showing our founder on top of Pike's Peak portrayed as an Ass with zebra stripes! In addition, Bill brought another piece from 1904 featuring prices of the time for certain rare coins, an advertising token from Zerbe!

Whalen brought an interesting piece found in the Thames in London, a supposed gold scale weight; we await Steve's review of this piece as he took it home to study it closely.

Steve himself brought several examples of the new Shield Lincoln Cent!

Dan brought and gave each member a Zimbabwean 100 Trillion-Dollar note as well as an Iraqi note showing a desert oil refinery! In addition, he brought and showed off several Swiss Shooting Talers, his favorite, St Gallen, second favorite, City view 5 Franc from Lausanne, an 1881 Friebourg city view, and the only shooting taler featuring a man actually shooting a rifle, a 1939 piece. Thanks Dan, for your short article about these interesting pieces in last month's Bulletin.

Federico brought his latest acquisition, a Gateway Coin Club medal showing the University of California, Merced logo (arms) [seal} and he wondered how they got permission to reproduce it!

Jerry brought his work in progress, a new book on the "Streets of San Francisco in Chinatown" (although that will not be the title) as he is working on the translation the residents in Chinatown gave to the streets running through their neighborhood, i.e., "White man who speaks good Chinese Street" instead of Grant Street. That is not exactly what he said, but you get the idea. He would like encouragement from PCNS to continue and complete the project, which we gave in abundance!

2010 Papers contest

Articles are solicited for the next PCNS papers contest. The due date is the next April 2010 meeting. Authors are reminded that all illustrations and photos must have the permission to be used for publication. Also note that many images available on the internet are not in the public domain nor of high enough resolution to be suitable for the quality of publication that we envision. Full contest rules are available on the PCNS website, www.pcns.org.

March 2010 RAFFLE PRIZES

Treasure Island Postcards (repros) went to winner Sandra.

4 PPIE Tickets from August 22, 1915 to Ed.

Book, "Assembling the Ideal 20th Century Type Set" but PCNS

Fellow David W. Lange was won by Ed again!

A roll of uncirculated 1963 Philadelphia Cents went to Bill.

A bag of miscellaneous copper coins went home with Dan.

A Proof 1776-1976 Ike Dollar to lucky Dan.

And lastly, a 1967 Canadian Confederation Silver Dollar was snatched away by Ed.

2010 meeting schedule

May: You, perhaps?

June: Annual Banquet

July: Sal Falcone, Santa Clara University Medals

August: Bill Hyder TBA

September: Stephen Huston TBA

October: (?)

November: Everyone "Turkey Coins"

December: Annual Holiday Party!